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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

As a rule I hate to see money wasted; there is so much need for funds both here in American and abroad that to squander it is a travesty. One such is the case against Microsoft. Millions of dollars have been wasted on both sides of this dispute. We must stop this misappropriation of American tax dollars.

The settlement that was reached in early November is fair. It will halt any further anti-trust violations, alleged or substantiated, with the establishment of a three person technical committee, which will oversee any further practices of Microsoft. Microsoft has also agreed not to retaliate against any company that tries to create software that competes against theirs.

I feel that the sooner this unfortunate litigation is put behind us the better. I hope that we can continue as the leader of the technological field throughout the world, despite the setbacks that we have experienced since the commencement of this suit. Thank you for your time and diligence with this issue.

Sincerely,

Marie Murray